To: Susan Nicosia[nicosias@cityofcolumbiafalls.com]

From: Moler, Robert

Sent: Thur 9/8/2016 4:55:08 PM

Subject: RE: EPA Update: EPA adds the CFAC site to the National Priorities List

Hi Susan,

Thanks for your message. I am including Mike on my response, he may have additional insight.

A key factor for the final listing decision was the consideration of the public comments EPA received after the 2015 proposal. We received good input from the community and did not find any new information to support a decision contrary to what was in the proposal. The Superfund Alternative (SA) approach was seriously considered. The EPA chose not to pursue the SA approach in light of the information received during the comment period as well as the support for full listing from the City of Columbia Falls, the Governor's office and Senator Tester's office. Final listing also provides assurances, such as financial and technical resources, to ensure cleanup efforts stay on track.

We hope to arrange a public meeting at the Jr. High School soon to discuss the listing implications and next steps. Thanks as always for your involvement in this issue. I will follow up with you soon. Thanks Susan!

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From: Susan Nicosia [mailto:nicosias@cityofcolumbiafalls.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 07, 2016 3:55 PM **To:** Moler, Robert Nobert@epa.gov

Subject: RE: EPA Update: EPA adds the CFAC site to the National Priorities List

Rob -

Can you add anything to this official announcement – any main reason or factors for the listing at this point? What about the alternative listing method – why was that ruled out?

Thanks,

Susan

From: Moler, Robert [mailto:Moler.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2016 10:44 AM

Subject: EPA Update: EPA adds the CFAC site to the National Priorities List

Good Morning,

This is a courtesy notification to you that the EPA will add the Anaconda Aluminum Co Columbia Falls Reduction Plant site, also known as the Columbia Falls Aluminum Company (CFAC) site, in Columbia Falls, Montana, to the National Priorities List (NPL) on September 9, 2016. Sites on the NPL are often referred to as Superfund sites. Superfund is the federal program that investigates and cleans up contamination at sites that pose a risk to human health and the environment.

A notice of the listing is scheduled to publish in the Federal Register September 9, 2016. I will send out additional information after the Federal Register notice publishes. EPA will also set up a public meeting in Columbia Falls to discuss with the community the next steps and outline how the public can engage in the Superfund process moving forward.

For information about Superfund and the NPL: http://www.epa.gov/superfund

Please contact me with any questions. Thank you.

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